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MENDOTA -- Air Pollution

Arthur M. Barr  
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Dear Mr. Barr:

This is in response to your letter concerning the disposal of cardboard box containers by the Trekker Chemical Company south of Mendota.

The accepted method of disposing of combustible material is either by a proper sanitary landfill method or by suitable incineration.

Since La Salle County does not have a County Health Department, then a landfill area must be registered and approved by the State' Department of Public Health. Before an incinerator may be installed in Illinois, the person wishing to install such a device must submit plans and specifications to the Illinois Air Pollution Control Board for a permit.

Either method of disposal is acceptable, however, we would urge the use of a landfill rather than incineration because the materials aldrin and heptachlor are quite volatile and would have a tendency to distill off in the presence of even low grade heat. There could possibly be vegetation damage in the vicinity of an incinerator caused by fumes from these chemicals if wind conditions were proper. We do not believe that the ash residue from incinerating these materials would be a problem.

Again, we would prefer to see these containers landfilled, but if incineration is decided upon a permit to construct an incinerator would have to be secured from this Board. Care should be exercised by the Chemical Company to see that these containers are not indiscriminately past out to persons desiring them. If you have any further questions, please call on us.

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Very truly yours,

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